HOME NEWS.

THE MOMETER TESTEDDAY AT DICKINSON'S, IN PARK-

2 s. m - 51° Norn-251° 3 p. m - 251° Midnight - 32° Average - 251°

NEW-YORK CITY.

A full record of the shipping of this country

and flies of the leading journals will be kept at the news rooms of the Maritime Association, No. 61 Beaver et. The Association now numbers 230 members.

Controller Green has received a communica-

tion signed by nearly 100 citizens requesting him to withdraw his resignation from the Department of Parks. Among the signers are William M. Vermilye, Cytus W. Field, Wm. A. Booth, and Joseph Schigman.

The steamship Weser, from Bremen, with

750,000 eggs of European salmon, arrived in this city

early Tuesday morning. They were taken to Dr. J. H. Slack's establishment at Bloomsbury, N. J., and will, in due time, be distributed in the various Northern rivers, mainly in the Delaware and Hudson.

The Pacific Mail Steamship Company re-

gived, yesterday, a disputch announceing that the

steamship Idaho, which had been chartered to take the

place of the lost Sacramento in the Pacific Ocean, had broken ber shaft, and is new lying in the port of Aca-puter, Mexico. The purce of the stock declined from 72; \$ 72; to 72, on receipt of the intelligence.

The European steamers announced to sail

from this port yesterday, were unable to do so, owing to

nability to get ready their cargo in time, their voyages

to this port having been prolonged by stress of weather. The Cuba, which was to have sailed yesterday, had not arrived at a late hour, having been obliged to put in at Haifax on account of heavy weather. She will probably sail on Saturday.

The death of Arthur N. Gifford, the last of

the original signers of the constitution of the New-York Stock Exchange, was announced to that body, yester-

Store Exchange, was amounted to the Exchange day. Mr. 6) fixed had been a member of the Exchange since Nov. 3, 1817, and although he had not engaged in active business of late years, he had remained a member of the Exchange. A committee was appointed to prepare suitable resolutions.

There is no apparent foundation for the ru-

mor that the Government is about to press the peremp-

ory and immediate collection of the New-York Central

Railroad Scrip dividend tax. The Collector of Internal Revenue at Albany has received instructions, but pos-tive action has not been taken as yet; nor has the ques-tion as to the settlement of the tax been determined be-tween the Government and the Company.

Marriages of those in low estate generally

ake place at the City Hall under the auspices of the

City Magistrate, but Mayor Havemeyer was called upon,

City Magnitrate, but staylor havened of was acted upon, yesterday, to unite Francisco Munoz Ramon de Muncada, Spanish Consul at Vera Cruz, Mexico, and Mrs. Adeita O. Hoppock of this city. This ceremony was preceded by a marriage in the Roman Catholic Church. The Spanish Vice Consul of New-York and the editor of El Cronista were present as witnesses.

Mayor Havemeyer will probably communi-

rate with the Common Council to-day on the subject o

Controller Green's letter in relation to Chamberlan

are opposing the repeal of the Bankruptcy act.

OFFICIAL RIVER THIEVES.

MERCHANTS AT THE MERCY OF THEY HAR. BOR MASTERS.

THE OLD RING STILL ARMED WITH ADSOLUTE POWER - A TOW-BOSTHEN'S UNION IN LEAGUE WITH THE HARBOR MASTERS-THE SOUTH-ST. MERCHANTS.

More than a year since True Tribune, in the interests of the shipping merchants, expessed a depicrable state of things existing mong every toot, of water-front and out to the very entrance of the barker. The robbery of the great commence of the city was nogin some after vessels erossed the bar at the entrance so the harbor. There each was compelled, during one-tided of the entire year, to anchor and nadergo the exactions of a ring of Quarantine officials and spomlaboth unscrapulous and inexprable. The position of Health Officer was regarded as an office worth so many thousands of dollars per year to the Riser to which its incumbent belonged. The edicial bimself was expected to cast aside all consideration for the growth or prosperity of the city, and to make drimself and his party "whole" for all outlays rendered, necessary by

When the vessel had shaken off these parasites, the ewners encountered a more unsurapulous though less costly ring in the Harvoy Masters. The Port Wordens. the whartingers, and the tow-boatmen, all regarded commerce as semething to be speculated upon. TER TRIBUNE attacked the gang at Quantume, and by an expose, which was at once so clear and explicit as to defy contradiceffect for the abolition of this nuisance. The Is rislature appointed a committee which came to this city, and THE TRIBUNE'S statements were in numerous instances of and transcribed upon the official records as testi-mony. The Chamber of Commerce met, the Ship-Owners' Ascociation, the Board of Trade, the Produce Exchange, and the various steamship companies united in the crasade. Evidence in profusion was furnished of all manner of corruption and outrage on the part of the Cuarantine authorities. As a result, though accomphysical after months of unrelenting labor, Dr. John M. Carnochan was succeeded by Dr. Vanderpool. The merchants have from the first expressed the utmost satisfaction in the choice of Gov. Hogman, and their anpoyances at Ocarantine have disappeared.

E. DORM AT HALF MEASURE.

The Harbor Masters, however, were more formation.
The sub-committee appointed by the Assembly gave the subject some condiferation, but the startling array of facts developed in the Quarantine investigation so engazed the attention of the public that these commercial parasites were permitted to escape. The exposure by The Tempore of the chameless manner in which the Harbor Masters extort money from ship-owners had the effect for a few weeks of lessening the abuses. but after the sudden return of the Committee to Albany and the silence of that body on the subject, the appoyances soon reached their former magnitude day the annoyances are greater than any that have been known since the adoption of the system. Where, in former years, money was sent to the Harbor Masters through the tox-beatmen, or guicity dropped in an envelope in to the Harbor Master's letter-box, it is now asserted all along Souther, that the Barbor Master, or his agent, gues to the officesof the shipping merchants and de-

The recommendations recently sent to the Assembly for confirmation do not cojucide with the views of the merchants of this city. They have declared at a public meeting that they desire that all men appointed to such offices shall be retired ship captains and men ditted to take charge of a vegsel. They have demanded that these men shall be honest and shall not owe their appointments to party considera-tions. The will of the norchanta thus expressed has not been regarded. It only remains to be een, say the merchants, whether there is to grow up a stor scarcely inferior to that which has existed. As before urged, the great cause for the existence of such abuses is to be found in the present statutes respecting Marior Masters, which it is within the power of the present Legislature to repeal

HARROR MASTERS ABSOLUTE BY LAW.

The attribute reads as follows:

Recised Statutes, Vol. IL, page 1461, fee %.— The said Hurbon stell have authority to receive and station all ships and received.

The Harbor Musters are declared the absolute junges regarding the condition, rights, and privileges of every vessel within their districts. There is an appeal to the Captain of the Port within the reach of the ship-owner, that it generally happens that the latter prefers to sale met to any outrage rather than incur, by going to the higher official, the emulty of the Harbor Master. men are vested with the power to stop the loading or unloading of any and every wessel lying at the public wharves. They have the power to discriminate whether a vessel shall take her cargo near the warchouse or steres from which it is to be shipped, or in the most distant part of the city. Cases are known, and will be stated, in which the own ers or consignees of vessels have suffered severe imancial loss from the fact that an everbearing Harbor Master has suddenly ordered and compelled the removal of a vessel from a pier at which she was loading to another al a great distance.

SCHEDOLE OF EXACTIONS. It is staired after an accurate and cateful investigation that out of the cu full-rigged ships now at the whurves in this city, all save 13 [dorked in Brooklyn or occupying piers leased from the city by private individuals) have been assessed from \$45 to \$116 for berth fees; that of the 112 barks now in port only 29, lying at Brooklyn whatves or consigned to firms strong enough to refuse the extertion, have escaped the elutabes of the harbor pirates in one form or another Barks have puld from \$30 to \$45 each. The brigs, numbering 121, now at the piers, have fared no better, Their expenses for berths are slightly less than those o brigs. The 117 schooners have been compelled to pay about the same proportion, though slightly less in amount. The expense for taking a schooner to the wharf is from \$20 to \$30. The total amount of revenue accraing to the Harbor Masters from the 442 vegsels now in port is estimated at not less than \$13,000. The extent of this will be seen when the acrivals and departures

average 46 vessels per day. DESCRIPTION THE CHARGES.

All this mass of corruption has grown up, as has been shown, out of an abuse of the power granted to the Harbor Master in the statute. The provisions for the payment of these officials are most liberal, and these charges are paid by merchants in addition to the outrageous exactions for berths, totally unauthorized by law. The law thus clearly defines their fees;

These legal fees give the Harbor Muster an income of from \$5,000 to \$2,500, although his allowance dependconsiderably upon the location of his district and the condition of commerce. These enginments, however the will official contrives to more than quadruple. The means usually reserved to for "bleeding" the ship ping-merchant have been severed of meronuity, but their success attests their efficiency. A ring of unserupulous tow-boat owners, whose names and places of business will be given beneatter, have obtained, with the connivance of the Harbor Masters, the exclusive control of the berths, and every merchant who wants s place for his vessel to load (and all perchants want just such accomposations) must capley one of these ring tow boots or be debarred from coming to the wharf Fur the privilege of getting his vessel from the stream to the berth he may a from \$15 to \$100, from \$10 to \$15 heins the legitimate charge for the services rendered by the boot, and the remainder being berth fees levied by the Harbor Master through the tow-boot company.

SAMPLES OF EXTORION.

A bill, like the one below, is presented to the owners of the consigness of the vessel. In this instance the name of the vessel and the exact date is omitted so as to protect the merchant, but the reporter of THE TRIB-

which are at the service of any Committee of the Assembly who pusy desire the 2. The bills read like this:

Book log of the foot of Frankinset of mints

**Captain and Owners of the Brig — To seemen Was Fietcher Dr.

**To be ving from Fier — to Fier — East River — **

The above bill is correct — Captain.

This is a sample bill from Ch-unberialn's Tow-boat

This is a sample bill from Ch-unberialn's Tow-boat

This is a sample bill from Ch-unberialn's Tow-boat

**Tow-board for the purpose of discussing measures of municipal reform. It is proposed to relect the provision in the amendments making the appointment and removal of items of departments dependent on the confirmation of the Aldermen.

To services towing from Pier — to Pier — (close convenil table) ... 93
Rec'd payment. (none largible). Approved --- Capt. THE TOW-DOATMEN'S LEAGUE. The following tow-boat companies leagued with the CHARGES MORE THAN QUADRUPLES-SAM- Harbor Masters perpetrate these extertions upon com-PLES OF EXTORTION-THE COMPLAINTS OF merce: C. P. Raymond, No. 261 South-st.; Wm. Mar shall, No. 69 South-st. Jacob Henion, No. 49 South-st.; Chas, Chamberlain, then Chamberlain & Hewlett, Nos.

206 West-st. and 168 South-st; Parker & Gibbs, 150, 52 South-st. They covenanted, as was proved most clearly before

South-st.

They covenanted, as was proved most clearly before the Assembly Committee when in session, with the Icarbor Masters, that by charging corbitant rates for towing, and "paying over ten per cent apan their regular rates in addition to the extra charges made on the skipowners, to some person appointed to receive the money for the officials, these companies were to have the exclusive right to berth vessels in the port of New York."

To make this language of the speculaturs more clear, if a vessel is moved from Pier No. 2 to Pier No. 2 the low-boat agents render a ball to the owner of the craft for 25 or \$10, varying according to the need under which the ship-owners are suffering to have their vessel berthed. The legitimate fees for towing are, say the. The tow-boat owners pay over to the Harbor Master's receiver the \$15 or \$10 - the whole sun received, mines the \$10 less 25 per cent. The go-between thus retains \$5, and pays the \$15 or \$80 over to his employer, the official.

A statute (dated April 27, 1865) declares (see, 8) that "no harbor-master shall tane or receive, directly or indigately, any money or fees in addition to those preservised by law," &c. This clause is violated in regard to 90 out of sycery low reseases when are docked in this port.

The Governor is not ignorish of the abuses under which commerce has suffered in former times, and his policy for the future, say his friends, is clearly maintaged.

INTERVIEWS WITH SHIP-OWNERS. THE MERCHANTS INDIGNANT, AND CRYING FOR REFORM.

The South, Pearl, and Beaver-st. merchants hold one opinion regarding the extertions of Harbor Masters. A reporter has spent several days in calling upon the oldest and most oppressed of the shipping merchants, and a few of the statements will be found below: Gustavus A. Brett, the head of the old house of Brett, Sons & Co. of No. 43 South-st., said in substance: I have opposed and defied the 'Harbor Masters' extortions, and although I have suffered on several occasions great annoyance and loss, I am determined to continue the opposition. I send out and find a vacant berth at a public pier. I then empley any tow-beat I see fit, and berth my vessel at that pier. I then see that my ship's officers are armed. I then give instructions to them that m use of the attempt on the part of a Harbor Master to pike or a rope's end, if that is sufficient, but if not, afte due warning, to shoot dead any man who trespasses upon my private property as they would a thief or a laghwayman. I always pay the legal roes, and am, of course, perfectly willing to do so; but I will not permit the Harbor Master or any other man to extort money

he Hartor deadly.

Tour me illegally.

A CASE IN POINT. The junior member of one of the oldest houses in Hauver-square stated: The delays and annoyances to instance will suffice. Our house chartered a vessel to take a loss of cotton to Liverpool for Duneau, Sherman

take a load of cotton to Liverpool for Duncan, Sherman & Co. The cotton was to arrive from the South in three portions, one about the 1st, the second about the 6th, and the third on the 1st of the month.

We had preserved a borth by paying liberally for it, and the first consignment was delivered on the wharf. It was not more than half in before there came an order from the Harbor Master that "the berth was promised to another ressel," and that we must leave. It was in vain that I sent, and finally went myself to the Harbor Master. He was inexorable. The vessel must go or he would set her adritt. It was in yain that I asked to be permitted to take in the remainder of the cotton.

The vessel was towed out, for which we were charged an exorbitant rate, and berthed away up the East Ever near Grand st. The big snow came then, and the cotton was buried under it so as to be thoroughly wet and damasted. We then had to send our own truckmen and move that cotton at our own expense, about it per bale, to five vessel. The loss entailed on us by this operation, the extra cartage on the rest of the eargo, and the extra territ fees, left us with a very small banance on the entre cargo at the end of the voyage. On the cetton we are thank to the order of the cotton was certually lest money. Palmer's retention of the interest money and other mut-ters. Chamberkim Palmer has written a letter in reply to Controller Green, in which he contends that the Con-troller has no right to interfere with the arrangement

AN ANTIDOTE TO CORONERS JUSTICE.

SIMMONS INDICATE BY THE GRAND JURY.

A motley erowd attended at the Coroner's

Office, in the City Hall, at 11 a. m., yesterday, to listen

of the people by stating that he had been instructed by

District Attorney Pheips to oppose the motion strenuously. He contended that the Coroner should disregard

that portion of the verdict which expressed the belief in

unpremeditation. He argued briefly but pointedly

against the granting of the motion, and, in conclusion nichatically declared it to be the pulpable duty of the

Corover to commit the prisoner to the Tombs, without

Cot. J. B. Fellows, of counsel for the accused, averred

that the verdict was strictly in accordance with the tes-

timony eligited at the inquest, and that if the evidence

howed that the prisoner was guilty of any crime at all,

it was a minor degree of manslaughter. It was the duty of

the Coroner, therefore, to admit to ball his client, who,

he stated, was prepared to furnish as good real estate

security as any that could be found in New-York. The

prisoner, he asserted, had a good and substantial de-

fense, in opposition to which no jury could be found who

would have the unfairness to render a verdict for a high

Mr. Lyon again urged the commitment of the privoner.

and suggested that counsel for the defense would 1, ve

opportunity to obtain a reviewal of the proceeding be

fore n Justice of the Supreme Court, when all the facts

could be elicited and justice be rendered alike to the

of the evidence adduced during the inquest, he should

admit the prisoner to ball in \$10,000, to be furnished by

Col. Fellows remarked that the sureties should exe-

cute their conds in the presence of the prisoner, who

No. 94 Madison-st., and Ellis N. Crow, livery stable keeper, of No. 139 Thompson-st., both of whom were ac-

cepted by the Coroner. The bondsmen were asked to

execute the bands at the hospital at 2½ p. m.

The case was removed from the jurisdiction of the

Coroner, however, as District-Attorney Pheips, not

several witnesses, and sent them before the Grand Jury,

who found an indictment against Simmons for murder

who found an indictment against Simmons for murder in the first degree. A bench warrant was subsequently issued for his arrest and placed in the Sheriff shands. In the absence of Deputy Sheriff Jarvis, on business in Brocklyn, the exequition of the warrant was intrusted to Deputy Sheriff sached.

When the Deputy Sheriff reached the hospital, he found that the bond of two surches, in \$10,000 cach, had been accepted by Coroner Keeman. He immediately handed his warrant to the hospital authorities. The announcement of a rearrest fell like a thunderboil upon Samoons and his friends. Mr. Seebacher then set about the preliminaries to Simmons's removal to the Tombs. Placing Special Deputy Daniel Day in charge of the prisoner, he consulted with Drs. Wood and Finere, who, without making positive objection, stated that all responsibility attaching to the removal of the patient would rest with the Deputy Sheriff. Simmons, they said has been brought to the hospital in a far worse condition than he was then, yet he would undoubtedly require further treatment if removed. On account of these statements, Mr. Seebacher decided to consult with the Sheriff, and Simmons had not been removed at 11:30 p. m. At midnight Simmons had not been removed at 11:30 p. m. At midnight Simmons had not been removed at 11:30 p. m. At midnight Simmons had not been removed at 11:30 p. m. At midnight Simmons had not been removed at 11:30 p. m. At midnight Simmons had not been removed of the Nineteeuth Preciact, and Special Deputy Cabill.

GERMAN VIEWS OF THE CHARTER.

The committee recently formed by the Ger-

man Central Reform Organization, composed of Oswald Ottopdorfer, Henry Clauren, L. F. Werner, C. Aufenger and J. Schoenhoff, will appear before the Committee of

the Legislature on Cities to-day, to be heard in reference

to the charter amendments pending before the Legisla

ture, when the adoption of the amendments proposed

by the Committee of Seventy and the separation of the

distant Edward Martin, a retired Vesey-st. grocer, of

two owners of unincumbered real estate.

prisoner and the people.

bail, to await the action of the Grand Jury.

Two supposed pickpockets were arrested open a Grand-st. car, at the foot of Desbrosses-st., last night, by Detectives Eder and McDougal of Police WHY MERCHANTS ARE SILENT. The head of another house in South-st. said: We have paid out more than \$500 for berths in the past three Headquarters. The prisoners are both about 45 years old, and answer descriptions furnished by cliteens who have lately been robbed of watches and money on several of the West Side car lines. The police believe that if citizens come forward to identify the prisoners, convictions may be secured which will tend to check the present boldness of car thieves. months, and here are my books to show for it. We have come to look upon this expense as one of the necessary atleys, and we charge it in the books, as you will se

as "berth fees." The law does not recognize as legal the payment of any such fee to the tow-boatmen or Harbor Masters, but we are interally forced to pay this sum or he prevented from taking in or discharging carge. If we were defeated in this we should be lable for damages to the consignees. It would be worth several thousands of dollars per year for me to give you the names of our vessels, with the dates, as you ask. They are all accessible in these books, but it is hard y tair for Thi. Thinks to expect me to piace myself at the mercy of the Harbor Masters. There is a field for temperance lecturers upown, it seems, even among lades. Mother and daugh ter bired a sleigh, on Tuesday, and were driven through Harlem-lane, halts being made at three restaurants,

James 2. Meyers, banker of Pine-st., of the ate firm of Dimmock, Meyers & Co., who was arrested a Monday at the suit of Julia A. Beach for wrongful detention and conversion of 32 bonds of the State of Misper Kecuau, in reference to the motion to admit to ball John L. Simmons, lottery dealer, against whom the jury of inquest rendered an apologetic verdict for the killing of his former partner, Nicholas B. Duryea. Assistant District Attorney Lyon opened the proceedings in behalf of the neople by stating that he had been the first process of the proceedings in behalf of the neople by stating that he had been to be strongly in the results of the neople by stating that he had been to be strongly in the results of the neople by stating that he had been to be strongly in the results of the neople by stating that he had been to be strongly in the results of the neople by stating that he had been to be strongly in the results of the neople by stating that he had been to be strongly in the results of the neople by stating that he had been to be strongly in the results of the process of th souri, value, \$1,000 each. has not procured ball in \$10,600. quired amount, has not yet been naturalized, baving only declared his intentions to become a citizen. Mr. Jarvis, therefore, did not declare immediate acceptance of the bond, and so the defendant remains in jail.

tors seems to be very fertile in devices whereby to obtalu food and raiment. The latest achievement is the revival of an old dedge in a new shape. A day or two since, a man presented himself at the house of a promibare, and shreds of flesh left dangling from the jaw. The since, a man presented himself at the house of a promiment attaché of the Sherid's office, and presented the following "note" to the officer's wife: "Picase send by the
bearer immediately, a coat and pantaloons, I am found
from head to foot. Billy," The note was read and the
pretended messenger informed that the character of his
errand was suspected, inasmuch as "Billy" generally
wrote "und" with one d. The lady attempted to detail
him but he escaped. Housekeepers would better beware
as he will probably spein more correctly next time.

BROOKLYN. The visitors to Prospect Park last week

The Common Council has under consideraion the matter of reëstablishing the ferry from the foot of Hudson-ave, to Jackson-st., New-York. George Law offers to operate the ferry, provided a sewer which ter-minates at the loot of Hudson-ave, is removed.

In accordance with the action of a meeting eld at the residence of Simeon B. Chittenden recently, U.S. Com, assigner Winslow has prepared a bill to be presented to - Legislature providing for the appointment of a Boan - a devise a plan for the consolidation of this city with A. W. York.

Coroner Keenan said that he was satisfied that, in view The terms of of all the present members of the Park Commission expire on May 1. The Commissioners are J. S. T. Stramshan, Wm. Haynes, A. B. Baylis, A. A. Low, Isaac Van Anden, Wm. Marshall, James A. Prentice, and S. L. Hurbed. Tegrifiction is con-templated looking to the retention of these gentlemen-ior another term. still remained at Bellevue Hospital. He then offered as

City Assessor Thomas W. Field has been een appointed Assistant Superintendent of Public Schools at a salary of \$5,000 per annum. The annual Schools at a salary of \$5,000 per annum. The annum statement of the Finance Committee of the Board of Education shows that the receipts on account of the general school fund were \$672,015-20; expenditures, \$28,306.5: balance, \$43,700.48; expenditures, \$201,420.26; balance. thinking that it was a proper case for bail, procured | \$41,679 92.

LONG ISLAND.

Jamaica .- The Queens County Board of Supervisors directed, yesterday, the Supervisors of Newton to apply to the Legislature for an act appointing a Receiver of Taxes, for the collection of the tax of 1872 The annual meeting of the Fire department, on Tuesday night, resulted in the choice of Aaron A. Degrauw as Chief, and Charles Hurly as Assistant-Engineer.

HUDSON RIVER COUNTIES.

WHITE PLAINS .- The February term of the ounty Court and Court of Sessions for Westchester lounty, which was opened on Monday teorning, and adjourned in consequence of the indisposition of Judge Gifford, County Judge, resumed yesterday morning, but Gifford, County Judge, resumed yesterday morning, but
the business transacted had no public interest. The
Grand Jury impaneled for the term consists of the following persons: George E. Vanderburgh, foreman; Win.
R. Beales, George Cooper, John Cornell. Bavid A. Haviland, Isaac Hunt, Stephen G. Howe, Ferdinand Meyer,
Robert Masterton, James L. Parshall, James Wood,
Charles E. Johnson, Stephen Brown, Ir., Edmund G.
Sutherland, George W. Smith, Stephen A. Marshall,
Joseph O. Miller, Isaac C. Sheldon, Win. A. Bustace,
Joseph S. Hobby and James Dusenbury.

POUGHERIFFIE.—After seven weeks of deliberation, the committee appointed to investigate the affairs of Richard T. Clark, the defaulting Treasurer of Columbia County, have asked the supervisor for more time. They will now report on Feb. 17. Since their appointment other revelations have been made outside of the committee, tending to show that Columbia County's bounty money, during the war, was tampered with, and that discrepancies exist to the amount of many thousand doulars. The delay in the action of the committee causes general diseatisfaction.

NEW-JERSEY.

JERSEY CITY.-The managers of the Hudson county Hospital have called a mass meeting at the Grove-st. Baptist Church, for Saturday evening, to oppose the action of the Episcopalians taken last week, and looking to the purchase of the hospital ... The Hudson County Medical Association has refused to approve so much of the minutes of their January meeting as reinstated the twelve members before expelled for irreg reinstated the twelve members before expelled for irregularities in practice, thus virtually reexpelling them....

The switch-house on the Midland Railroad, north of Bergen Tunnel, was burned at 1 a. m. yesterday; loss, \$200... The Board of Fire Commissioners received last exening a letter from the Bon. Henry C. Kelsay. Seretary of 8 ate, stating that he would not turn any farther moneys over to the Exempt Pirmen's Association until the dispute between that organization and the Fire Board concerning the disposition of the two per centium Lax on the premising receipts of foreign lasurance companies had been settlied.

PROMINENT ARRIVAIS.

St. Eicholas Hotel—The Hon. M. R. Walte of Ohio,
Wher Edminds and C. F. Hatch of Section, T. K. Lathrop, President
it Girca Rastern R. R. Co., Exchand. Gov. Header of Vermont,
ind the Hun. J. A. Peters of Maine. Astor House Jean-Admiral
minion, U. S. Nayy; the Hun. William A. Pile. U. S. Minister to Veneuela, and Wadde Thompson of Mempris. Metropolitan Hotel-Gen.
J. F. Bruce of Madison Co., S. Y. Crand Couried Hotel-Gen. J.
S. Gordov, U. S. Senator elect from Georgia. And Accept HotelCondit Sauth of Hufalo, J. R. Casement of Ohio, Gra. D. S. Jacknon of Philadelphia, and J. C. Stanton, President of the Alabama and
Chattarooga H. K. Co. . Hoffman Hense-Athur Cheny of Bouton.

New York Hotel-Gen. T. L. Hosser of Minnesots. panies had been settied.

Hoborken City Line, who was arrested on suspicion of having been implicated in the murder of the unknown man found at Elysian Fields Jan. 39, was committed yesterday to the Hudson County Jall by Coroner Parslow. Frederick Seldenock and Emil Brehm, the other prisoners, who had also been arrested on suspicion, were released on \$1,000 bonds each. City Physician Benson is now making a thorough examination of the jacket worn by Berger previous to the murder, and also of the coat which was wern by him when arrested, with a view to determine, if possible, whether any blood corpuseles could be detected in those pertions of the garments which were stained. The deceased will be barled to-day. No clue to his identity has been established as yet, but a photograph was taken yesterday, and the police were searching for some person on the year lying at the wharves who may be able to identify the deceased.

Patherson.—There are to be 23 alarm boxes connected. The Importers' and Grocers' Board of Trade A unique old sleigh, finely carved and ornamented, which was said to have belonged to Frederick the Great, was exhibited, yesterday, on Broadway, in front of an old curiosity shop.

PATERSON.—There are to be 23 alarm boxes connected the fire telegraph, of which three are to be usivate PATRISON.—There are to be 23 alarm boxes connected with the fire telegraph, of which three are to be private. The boxes number from 3 to 37... The Board of Aldermen in Committee of the Whole has adopted all of the proposed mendments to the ety charter except that relating to the Fire Department, in which they decided that two Assistant Engineers would be sufficient. The principal amendment provides for the summany collection of poll and personal taxes, of which the city now loses from \$10,000 to \$20,000 per annum, as a large number of persons assessed in Jane are not to be found in November. It is now proposed to rollect these taxes within ten days after the assessment, if it can be it cally done. The bill will be introduced to the Lexislature this week. ... Who. Clark was held in ball, charsed, yesterday, with robbing J. Lennex of a watch and chain while they were walking together in Broadway, near the Midhaud Railroad depot.

Newalts.—A borse belonging to W. S. Ketcham became

East Neware. Putitions are ejeculating asking the proper authorities to give that place a Post-Office.

LECTURES AND MEETINGS.

J. M. Bellew will give a choice selection of eadings to night at the Brooklyn Academy of Music. The Gold Exchange has elected E. T iragaw Vice-President, vice T. A. Hoyt, resigned, and t. K. Stevens, C. H. Ward, W. B. Bend, J. Curpbey, C. Kollstede, John Wallace, and J. Schultz, jr., arembers of the Executive Committee.

The annual meeting of the General Foreign Missionary Committee of the Congregational Courches of New York, Brookiyn, and vicinity, will be held at \$\frac{1}{2}\$ of clock this evening, in the Trustees' room of the Church of the Prigrims, at Remsen and Henrysts., Brookiyn. Miss Britton, a returned missionary, will give

an illustrated lecture, this evening, in the Chapel of th linton-ave. Congregational Church, Brooklyn, on "The Manners and Customs of the Hindoos," The proceeds will be devoted to the support of the Zenana mission sustained among the women of Calcutta, India, by the ladies of the church. The General Society of Mechanics and Trades-

men held a meeting at their rooms in the Mercantile Li-brary, last evening, and appointed standing committees The Rev. Dr. Deems lectured last evening

sefore a large sudience, at Olivet Chapel in Second-st., near Second-ave., on "Trifles." His argument was that nothing is either absolutely great or absolutely small. nothing is differ absolutely great of absolutely small-things are only relatively grand or trifling. The small-est things often produce the grandest effects; so much so that the groatest achievements often seem the result of accident. The discovery of the microscope, telescope, and electric telegraph are the results of trifles observed and studied. The lecture, which was listened to with marked attention, abounded in humorous allusions.

THE ELEECKER-ST. HORROR.

A STORY OF DOMESTIC INFELICITY. Doubt as to the identity of the two princithe assignation bouse in Bleecker-st., near the Bowery, on Tuesday night, has since been dispelled, and the vic where the ladies had gin-slings each, when going and zeturning. The driver says he had to carry the eider lady from her decrete, in Fourteenthest, to her room. Counter statements were made at Jefferson Market, yesterday, and the driver was held in \$200 ball on the charge of stealing \$190, which the ladies missed after leaving the sleigh. tims have been fully identified as William and Barbara at that time was precipitated by a renewal of former marrels. On the other hand, the finding, upon the floor, of the new razor with which the man fatally mutilated his wife and cut his own throat, in conjunction with the discovery of its new pasteboard case, is regarded as tending to show that the weapon had been procured for the commission of the deed.

Deputy Caroner Beach performed an autopsy upon the body of the unfortunate woman, yesterday, and delared that death had resulted from profuse hemor rhage. It was found that by a single cut, which nearly decapitated the woman, the windpipe, arteries, and The inventive genius of the confidence opera- many of the cords of the neck had been completely left shoulder, with several chastly wounds in the lower left thumb was also found to have been nearly an ated, and from this fact it may be inferred that the frenzied woman had serzed the blade of the weapon and

left thumb was also found to have been nearly amputated, and from this fact it may be inferred that the freezied woman had select the blade of the weapon and tried to disarm the morderer. The man was visited at Bellevue Hospital by Coroner Keenan during the day, but was found unconscious and evidently dying.

It appears, however, that schaeffer is a native of Germary, and has resided in this country about 30 years, soon after coming to America he married the deceased, who is said to have been born in Itiea, N. Y. They had four children, of whom three were boys, aged respectively 13, 14, and 11, and one sirl, age it. Until within the last four or flive years they are said to have lived harmonionly, but at about the beginning of that period the man became life and dissipated, and the previous congeniality was thus destroyed. The wife, it is alleged, then became faithless, and was finally abandoued about fourteen monios ago by her bushand, who went to Germany. His wife, it is stated, then lived with Stephen Hase, a one-armed letter-carrier, attached to Statiou B. Upon the return of Schneifer, in September, 1812, his wife caused aim to be arraigned before Jus ee Scott for abandonment, but during an examination she declined to return to her husband, alleging that he had sold his right to her affection to Hase, who had purchased some furniture from him for \$30. The complaint was therefore dismissed and schneifer discharged from custody. Mrs. Schnaifer then rented rooms in the tenment-house No.90 Eldridge-st., and supported herself and het youngest son, in whole or in part, by binding shoc-tops, schneifer meanwhile went to live with his brother-in-law. Sheeffer obtained a position as a shipping clork at Greenpoint, L. I., about three months are with his brother-in-law. Sheeffer obtained a position as a shipping clork at Greenpoint, L. I., about three months are missing a first that and only the formal season of the deceased, a bright and civil ind, said, substantially, in responder to months about his to the was been

A MURDERER SENTENCED.

EXETER, N. H., Feb. 5,-The evidence in the for the defense occupied only half an hour, when Gen Clark closed for the prosecution. Judge Doe charged the jury, and they retired at 5 o'clock, and in half an hour brought in a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree. The Judge sentenced the prisoner to be hanged on the third Tuesday of February, 1874. Among the witnesses at the trial was Dr. Bancrott of the State Insant Asylum at Concord, who testified that he did not regard Evans as insine. This morning, during a brief absence of the lait keepers, Evans attempted to commit suicide by hanging with his suspenders.

BURNETT'S COCOAINE makes hair glossy.

ONE COLD AFTER ANOTHER, WILL, WITH MANY CONSTITUTIONS, EXCERNIT SSTABLISH THE SERIES OF CONSUMPTION OF

THE TRIBUNE ALMANAC for 1878 (ready on Seturdar) will, in addition to its usual contents, here a Pentrany and Biography of Humanic Guselley.
Price, 2D cents. Seven for \$1.

OUR PRESENT KNOWLEDGE OF THE SUN. By

MASTERS OF THE SITUATION. - JAS. T. FIELDS'S cture in Tringing Lecture Extra No. 2. Proc. let. 50 by mail.

FULL REPORTS OF LECTURES.

Now herely:

TRIBURE LEUTURE EXTRA

No. 3

CONTAINS FOUR AMERICAN INSTITUTE LECTURES.
BRAIN AND MIND I'N PELLL. With Illustrations. By Prof.
B. G. WILDER LEWISTEY.
CHEMICAL DISCOVERIES OF THE SPECTROSCOPE. By Prof.
G. P. BARRAN of TAR College.
ANTRONOMICAL CONQUESTS OF THE SPECTROSCOPE. By
Prof. C. A. YOUNG OF DATHOOST College. Prof. C. A. YOUNG of Dartmouth College.

OUR PRESENT KNOWLELGE OF THE SUN. By Prof. C. A.
YOUNG of Dartmouth College.

COMPULSORY EDUCATION, EEGENER,
NATER'S OF THE SITUATION FIREIS.
IS THERE A GODY D. BELLOWS.
LOSI ATTS. WESPELL PHILLIPS.
LETTERS ON SLADWICH SLANDS. MARK TWAIN. No. I contains SIX LECTURES ON LIGHT. By Prof. Tynnast. With all the

PRICE 3 cents 5 cents each Address.

Each Sheet. b: Mail THE TRIBUNE.

New York

EDWARD H. DIXON, M. D., has removed It his Private Rospital to the vicinity of his residence, 42 Pofits are Spacious martments and competent suries are provided for those we require careful discinity or constant surgical attentiance. Specialty The more subserve diseases of the Policy Voscera. Regular, and its radictive Stricture and its associate disease, Irritanity of the Blathery Variacele, diseasermonth, Francia and the consequences. Committations at its D.'s residence from 8 to 3, 1 to 3, and 7 to 3, eventors.

THE TRIBUNE ALMANAC for 1823 (ready day) will in addition to its usual contents lave a POETRAIT AND BIOCEARTHY OF HORACE GREELEY.
Price, 20 conts. Seren for \$1.

TYNDALL'S LECTURES ON LIGHT, with saline distrations. THE THERNES reports published in fall daily resired. Price, 2 conta per single copy, or 5 centa by mail rea THE TRIBUNE, New York. MASURY'S Unfading Green for outside blinds, shuters and lattle publics. Brilliant and Permanent. JOHN W. MASURY & SON, HI Felton-et. Specialty in pure points and colors. THE best place in New-York to buy reliable MAINE'S PORTABLE WINDOW VENTI-"MERIDEN CUTLERY CO." - CALL for

OUT AND READY FOR DELIVERY.

The Mercantile Agency REFERENCE

MESSRS. DUN, BARLOW & Co. iave the satisfaction of announcing the completion of the SECOND

EDITION of the Reference Book-the first edition having been de royed on Christman Eve by the Centre at. fire. By the employment of eight of the largest printing establishments in

he United States-rix in New-York one in Philadelphia, and one in Boston-a feat in typography has been accomplished which his no pasallel in this or any other country, viz.; that of printing in a little over a month a huge volume containing the name of every Merchant, Banker, Manufacturer, Traier and Businers Man in the United States and Dominion of Canada, together with the location, trade, estimate of mests and credit standing in each case.

The numerous and important changes which occur during Japuary are cluded in the new volume, and subscribers get a better book than ever sefore, though comewhat later.

The delivery for the City of New-York will commones to-day by treets; but subscribers who desire to obtain the new book at once our he sapplied at our main office (2:5 Broadway) by sending a measurage; with an order and the old (July) book.

DUN, BARLOW & CO., 335 Broadway, 65 Wall-st.,

148 Worth-ste

UNION-SQUARE.

STATIONERY DEPARTMENT.

ENGLISH, SCOTCH, AND PRENCH NOTE AND LETTER

GRAMS, INITIALS, CRESTS, &c., PLAIN AND IN COLORS. MENUS, BAUGES, &c., PAINTED WITH SPECIAL DESIGNS. THE WHOLE OF THE WORK, DESIGNING, ENGRAVING

WE ARE ABLE TO OFFER BETTER STYLES WITH GREAT

CURTAINS.

way, having the Largest and most Complete Stock to be found in the City, call attention of those about to furnish, or in want of any article, to the advantage of looking through their Warerooms. ALL our Upholstering done on our own

Premises, under our own supervision, and Estimates and Designs given for fur-

B. L. SOLOMON & SONS, 657 & 659 Broadway, opp. Bond-st.

DR. RADWAY'S

CHRONIC DISEASES, SCROFULA, ULCERS, CHRONIC RHEUMATISM, ERYSIPELAS, KIDNEY, BLADDER, AND LIVER COMPLAINTS, DYSPEPSIA.

AFFECTIONS OF THE LUNGS AND TEROAT PURIPIES THE BLOOD, RESTORING HEALTH AND VIGOR CLEAR SKIN and BEAUTIPUL COMPLEXION SECURED TO ALLNold by Druggists. Price #1 per Bottle.

DR. RADWAY'S

RADWAY & Co., 32 WARREN-ST

MOTHERS NESTLE'S LAUTEOUS PARINA. The Mother's Milk Substitute,

INFANTS.

H. ASTIE & Co., Sole Agents.

E

The Nation.

Vol. XVI.-Nos, 392-443.

THURSDAYS.

CONTENTS.

The Week-The Credit Mobilier-Tweed-Pomeroy-Subsidies, &c. Is the Republican Party opposed to the Law? The Bar and its Ethics.

The Price of a Postal Telegraph.

A New Chapter of Absurdity in American Local Taxation (David A. Wells).

Reviews of Whitney's Oriental and Linguistic Studies, North Amerian Review for January, The Magazines.

The Week in Trade and Finance.

WRITERS.

The following are more or less frequent Writers for THE NATION: Professors W. F. Allen, J. B. Fenling (University of Wisconsin); W. P. Atkinson (Mass. Institute of Technology); ident Noah Porter, W. D. Whitney, Theodore D. Woolsey (Yale); F. J. Child, President C. W. Eliot, Asa Gray, E. W. Gurney, G. M. Lane, James Russell Lowell, N. S. Shaler, H. F. A. March (Lafayette); Goldwin Smith (Ozford); P. von Holtzendorff (University of Berlin); Hon. George P. Marsh (U. S. Minister to Italy); Alex. Agassiz, Henry B. Adams, Charles Francis Adams, jr., Henry James, jr., Karl Hillebrand, Friederich Kapp, Auguste Laugel, Henry C. Lea, James F. Maline, Lewis H. Morgan, Charles Eliot Norton, Judge C. C. Nott, Frederick Law Olmsted, J. N. Pomeroy, Ed- the political, social, and financial movements mund Quincy, Eugene Schuyler, Earl Shinn, and questions of the day, but feels the re-Russell Sturgis, W. J. Stillman, etc.

COMMENDS ITSELF TO BUSY MEN:

1st .- By its completeness as a weekly journal, embracing in its range general statements of important news, carefully written correspondence (domestic and foreign), deliberate and in-Francis Bacon, W. H. Brewer, George P. dependent treatment of the Political and So-Fisher, D. C. Gilman, Lowis R. Packard, Prescial questions of the hour, competent criticism of Literature, Science and Art, and trustworthy reports of Trade and Finance.

2.1 .- By its conciseness and the substantial quality of its matter, the work of many minds, W. Torrey, Jeffries Wyman (Harvard); J. K. representing the best ability and scholarship Hosmer (Antioch); Charles A. Joy (Columbia); of the country. Upward of sixty writers have centributed to a single volume (26 numbers). 3d .- By the convenience and eminent readable-

ness of its "make-up," adapting it to the pocket as well as to the library table-an agreeable and profitable companion for odd moments in the street-cars or elsewhere. As a pocket-paper especially we recommend it to any one who desires a more thorough knowledge of striction of limited leisure.

THE NATION.—"Need we say of it that it is by far the most able, independent, upright, and, to our notion, interesting journal of its class? Its comments on politics are always remarkable for viger of thought and careful consideration, while its reviews of books, communications and letters from abroad are unusually instructive and high toned. The Nation is sometimes accused of a needless severity of criticism, but the readiness with which it opens its columns to any pertinent reply shows that it is animated by a spirit of justice and not by narrow and malignant prejudices. Our readers who desire to read sober and fair political discussion or to obtain the latest news in the various walks of literature, art, and science, cannot do better than subscribe to this periodical, which has now become a sort of power in the land.

[N. Y. Evening Post, Dec. 21, 1872.

The Nation.

5 BEEKMAN-ST., N. Y.

NEW STYLES OF

WEDDING, RECEPTION, AND VISITING CARDS, MONO-

FURNITURE

B. L. Solomon & Sons, 657 & 659 Broad-

all work guaranteed. nishing a house complete with FURNI-TURE, CURTAINS, MIRRORS, &c.

Sarsaparillian Resolvent, THE GREAT BLOOD PURIFIER. FOR THE CURE OF ALL